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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 26 July 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claims 1 and 3 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 1 recites "...the meta information.....", as well as "...which were located in the region....". As to claim 3, the claim recites "A method according to claim 1 wherein detecting the determination.....". The underlined in both claims lacks antecedent basis, therefore, appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication Number 2005/0165795 (Myka et al.) in view of U. S. Patent Number 7,260,646 (Stefanik et al.)

2. Regarding claim 1, Myka teaches a method for sharing at least one media file of a portable communication device with a set of electronic communication devices Figure 1, # 20 and #s 40A-40E, page 4, paragraphs 0037 & 0040 – Myka), comprising: detecting a setting by a user of the set of devices (page 4, paragraph 0041 – Myka); generating the at least one media file by the portable communication device (page 5, paragraph 0044 – Myka); providing information together with the media file, the meta

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information being information in relation to the electronic communication devices of the set (page 5, paragraph 0044 – Myka), which were located in the region of the portable communication device, at the time of the generation of the at least one media file (page 5, paragraph 0049 – Myka). But Myka fails to teach that a link related to the media file is distributed. Stefanik teaches a method of software distribution among hand held computers via file sharing with link references to a web site for complete software versions (title, Figure 5B, # 484 - Stefanik). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to include the web link distribution method of Stefanik in the wireless media file sharing method of Myka in order facilitate the access for more information to the recipients of the media file.

3. Regarding claim 2, Myka further teaches a method wherein the region is within a radius from the portable communication device (page 5, paragraph 0045 – Myka).

4. Regarding claim 3, Myka further teaches a method for detecting the determination of the set of electronic communication devices, comprises detecting a pairing of the portable communication device with at least one electronic communication device of the set of devices, made under the control of the user (page 5, paragraph 0049 – Myka).

5. Regarding claim 4, Myka further teaches a method for detecting the pairing comprises initiating a connection between the portable communication device and the paired electronic communication devices (page 4, paragraph 0041 – Myka), and wherein the step of distributing further comprises distributing the media file over the initiated connection (Page 5, paragraph 0051 and page 6, paragraph 00059 – Myka).

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6. Regarding claim 5, Myka in view of Stefanik teach a method for distributing, at least a link (Title, Figure 5B, # 484 - Stefanik) further comprises distributing the media file to at least the electronic communication devices (page 4, paragraph 0037 – Myka) that were located in the region of the portable communication device, at the time of the generation of said the at least one media file (page 5, paragraph 0049 – Myka).

7. Regarding claim 6, Myka further teaches a method in which the connection is a wireless connection (page 4, paragraph 0041 – Myka).

8. Regarding claim 7, Myka further teaches a method in which the connection is a Bluetooth Wireless Technology connection (page 6, paragraph 0059 – Myka).

9. Regarding claim 8, Myka teaches a portable communication device for sharing at least one media file with a set of electronic communication devices (Figure 1, # 20 – Myka) the portable communication device comprising: a media unit, configured to generate a media file (Figure 2, # 28 – Myka), a control unit, connected to the media unit, configured to detect a setting of the set of electronic communication devices, by a user, to provide meta information together with the media file in relation to the electronic communication devices of the set, which were located in the region of the portable communication device, at the time of the generation of the at least one media file (Figure 2, # 22, pages 4 & 5, paragraph 0042; i.e. data processor that executes a bonding application that provides for the bonding of the digital devices – Myka). But Myka fails to teach that a link related to the media file is distributed. Stefanik teaches a method of software distribution among hand held computers via file sharing with link references to a web site for complete software versions (title, Figure 5B, # 484 -

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Stefanik). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to include the web link distribution method of Stefanik in the wireless media file sharing method of Myka in order facilitate the access for more information to the recipients of the media file.

10. Regarding claim 9, Myka further teaches a portable communication device according to claim 8, wherein the wireless communication unit associated with the portable communication device is connected to the control unit (page 5, paragraph 0042; i.e. data processor that executes a bonding application that provides for the bonding of the digital devices – Myka).

10. Regarding claim 10, Myka further teaches a portable communication device according to claim 8, wherein the wireless communication unit is a Bluetooth Wireless Technology unit (page 6, paragraph 0059 – Myka).

11. Regarding claim 11, Myka further teaches a portable communication device, according to claim 8, wherein the portable communication device is a mobile phone (Figure 1, # 20, page 4, paragraph 0039 – Myka).

12. Regarding claim 12, Myka teaches a computer program product comprising a computer readable medium, having computer readable program code embodied therein, the computer readable program product comprising (page 11, paragraph 0135 – Myka): computer readable program code configured to detect a setting of a set of electronic communication devices computer readable program code configured to generate said the at least one media file by said the first portable communication device (claim 37 - Myka), computer readable program code configured to provide meta

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information together with the media file, the information being meta information in relation to the electronic communication devices of the set, which were located in the region of the portable communication device, at the time of the generation of the at least one media file (claim 41 - Myka). But Myka fails to teach that a computer readable program code is configured to distribute at least a link related to the media file. Stefanik teaches software distribution among hand held computers via file sharing with link references to a web site for complete software versions (title, Figure 5B, # 484 - Stefanik). Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to include the web link distribution system of Stefanik in the wireless media file sharing computer-readable medium of Myka in order facilitate the access for more information to the recipients of the media file.

Conclusion

1. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. U.S. Patent Number 6,832,242 (Keskar) teaches a system and method for automatically sharing information between handheld devices. U. S. Patent Application Publication 2005/0107120 (Yueh) teaches a mobile storage device with a wireless Bluetooth module attached thereto. U.S. Patent Number 6,871,047 (Iwata) teaches a radio communication connection destination specifying method.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ISAAK JAMA whose telephone number is (571)270-5887. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 - 5:00 M-F.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Robinson can be reached on (571) 272-2319. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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